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In re Application of: Rupert Gall et al. Group Art Unit: 2187 § § § Serial No.: 10/006,729 Examiner: Dinh, Ngoc V. Filing Date: December 4, 2001 Attorney Docket No. 071308.0263 Client Ref.: 2001P00331US Title: Automation System with a Work **Drive Unit**

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111 TO **OFFICE ACTION MAILED August 25, 2004**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action, mailed August 25, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections set forth in the Office Action in light of the amendments and remarks below.

The three-month shortened statutory period for reply will be due November 25, 2004, therefore, this response in considered to be filed timely.